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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: EXTENDED LIFE CUTTING BLADES FOR  
HAND-HELD CUTTING TOOLS

Examiner: G. Alie

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed April 14, 2008, the Examiner allowed claims 56-61. Although the applicants' attorney agrees with the Examiner's conclusion that these claims are allowable, the applicants' attorney notes that the claims may be allowable for reasons other than those identified by the Examiner and does not concede that the Examiner's characterizations of the terms of the claims and the prior art are correct.

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